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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: TSPA, JA

SUBJ: ARIA SUPPORT OF PROJECT SKYLAB (SL-4)

REF: STATE 217593 (NOTAL)

1. AS DIRECTED REFTTEL EMBASSY NOTIFIED GOJ OF DEPLOYMENT OF ONE ARIA AIRCRAFT TO YOKOTA AB IN EARLY 1974 FOR PURPOSE OF MONITORING REENTRY PHASE OF PROJECT SKYLAB.

2. FONOFF RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION WAS TO NOTE THAT WHILE GOJ HAD NO OBJECTION TO SUCH DEPLOYMENT, GOJ REQUESTS THAT NO PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING THE AIRCRAFT'S PRESENCE OR ACTIVITIES IN JAPAN SHOULD BE MADE. DURING INEVITABLE PUBLICITY ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH SKYLAB REENTRY AND SPLASHDOWN PHASES, GOJ PREFERS THAT ANY MENTION OF USAF ARIA AIRCRAFT NOT BE LINKED TO JAPAN.

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3. REASON FOR THIS REQUEST IS GOJ DESIRE TO KEEP  
OPPOSITION FROM USING ARIA DEPLOYMENT TO YOKOTA  
FOR POLITICAL PURPOSES. FONOFF FEARS OPPOSITION  
WILL USE DEPLOYMENT AS CONVENIENT CLUB TO  
BELABOR GOVERNMENT DURING TICKLISH BUDGET  
COMMITTEE SESSIONS WHICH WILL BE GOING ON IN  
BOTH HOUSES OF DIET DURING FIRST QUARTER OF CY  
1974.

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